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MEXICAN NATIONAL SENTENCED TO FEDERAL PRISON ON DRUG CHARGE

United States Attorney Johnny Sutton announced today that in Pecos, Texas, Martina Armendariz-DeLongoria, age 39, of Ojinaga, Chihuahua, Mexico, was sentenced to four years in federal prison for possession with intent to distribute over five pounds of cocaine.

On September 15, 2005, U.S. Border Patrol agents at the Hwy 67 checkpoint north of Presidio, Texas, arrested the defendant who was a passenger on a commercial bus traveling to Odessa, Texas. Agents discovered the cocaine strapped to her torso. She pleaded guilty to the drug charge on November 8, 2005.

This case was investigated by United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement agents and prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney James J. Miller, Jr.

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